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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (SIDS) is being filed in response to the April 24, 2007 Office Action in which the Examiner did not enter German Patent Nos. DE 195 31 466 and DE 198 52 833 and the *Optical Memory & Neural Networks* (Oshikane et al.) reference cited in the March 22, 2007 Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (SIDS).

The Office Action states that a concise explanation of the relevance of the German Patents is required because these patents are in a foreign language. With respect to DE 198 52 833, enclosed is a copy of the counterpart U.S. Patent No. 6,703,614. With respect to DE 195 31 466, enclosed is a copy of the English abstract

from the counterpart International Publication WO 96/30717. Applicants respectfully request entry of the foregoing documents.

The Examiner also did not consider the *Optical Memory & Neural Networks* (Oshikane et al.) reference cited in the March 22, 2007 SIDS because it did not include a complete copy of the article. Applicants became aware of this reference when the two page abstract was provided in a Search Report in Applicants' co-pending (non-priority) application GB Patent Appln. No. 0124948.1. However, the Great Britain Patent Office only provided the two (2) page abstract of the article which was submitted in the March 22, 2007 SIDS. After reasonable search, Applicants are unable to locate a full copy of this publication, and respectfully request that the Examiner enter the Abstract of this publication that was previously provided with the March 22, 2007 Office Action.

Reconsideration and entry of German Patent Nos. DE 195 31 466 and DE 198 52 833 and the *Optical Memory & Neural Networks* (Oshikane et al.) abstract cited in the March 22, 2007 Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (SIDS) is respectfully requested.

The foregoing references have been identified on the enclosed PTO-1449 Form. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider these documents and return an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 form indicating his consideration of the cited materials.

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